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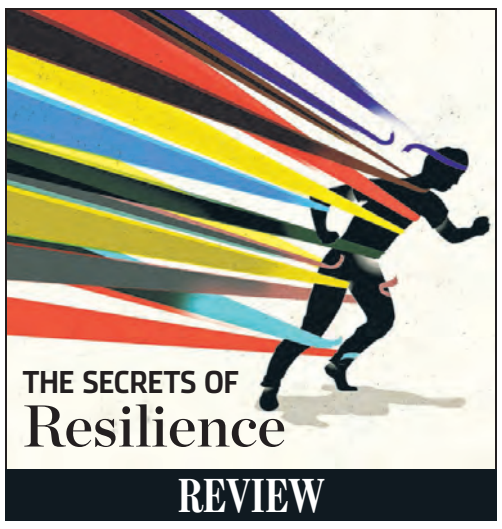

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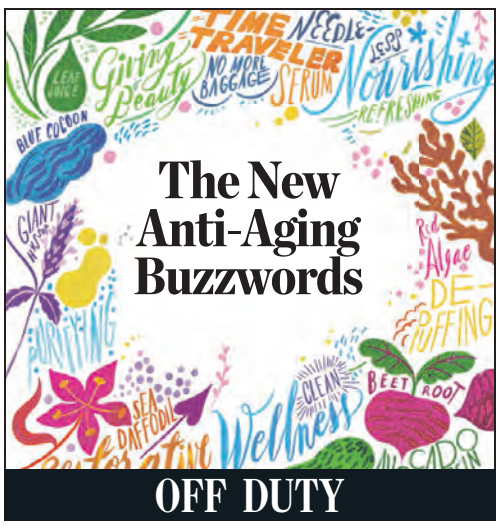

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◆ **GE's new CEO** is expected to reveal his strategy Monday, with analysts and investors bracing for a potential dividend cut. **B1**

◆ **Trump administration** feelings about CNN could be influencing the Time Warner-AT&T deal, people at the companies speculate. **B1**

◆ **The Dow fell** 39.73 points to 23422.21 for its first weekly decline since September, on concern over the status of a tax overhaul. **B12**

◆ **Media companies** are cutting ties with comedian Louis C.K. after he admitted to sexual misconduct. **B4**

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Across the U.S., a Day to Honor Those Who Have Served

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REMEMBRANCE: Army Sgt. James Luong of Chandler, Ariz., visited a grave at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia on Friday, a day before Veterans Day. On Saturday, commemorations around the country will pay tribute to those who have served in the U.S. armed forces.

Trump, Xi Visions Contrast

U.S. leader promotes nationalist view as China's seeks to claim regional leadership

By Jake Maxwell Watts, Chuin-Wei Yap and Jacob M. Schlesinger

DA NANG, Vietnam—President Donald Trump delivered his vision for a new American economic relationship with Asia here Friday, one that eschews big trade deals the U.S. has long favored for country-to-country bargaining.

Moments later, Chinese President Xi Jinping took the same stage at a Pacific Rim summit and praised the kind of multi-country treaties that have underpinned American influence in the region for decades.

The dueling remarks laid out the battle plans of the world's two largest economies as Mr. Trump seeks to remake trade policies that have made Asia the globe's fastest growing region and flooded U.S. consumers with cheaper goods.

The speeches also highlighted a contrast between rhetoric and reality, as Mr. Trump has yet to find willing partners for new bilateral deals, much of China's market remains under government control and the openings that emerged from a Trump-Xi summit in Beijing could prove smaller than they appear.

In his speech to business leaders at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum, Mr. Trump, a Republican, repudiated the policy of predecessors from both parties, where Washington took the lead in shaping market-opening rules for the region.

But he said that the U.S.

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Hasbro Sets Its Sights on Mattel

By Dana Mattioli

Hasbro Inc. has made a takeover offer for rival Mattel Inc., according to people familiar with the matter, a combination that would unite the two biggest U.S. toy makers and put Barbie and G.I. Joe under the same roof.

Hasbro's approach to Mattel was made recently, one of the people said. The terms of any possible deal couldn't be learned, and the approach may go nowhere.

After taking a beating this year, Mattel's market value stands at about $5 billion, or less than half as much as Hasbro's, which is currently more than $11 billion. Hasbro, which is based in Pawtucket, R.I., comprises brands including Nerf, Transformers and My Little Pony. The company has made a push into getting the rights to television and movie franchises such as Disney's "Frozen" and "Star Wars," and its results have outperformed those of Mattel.

Mattel, based in El Segundo, Calif., is the maker of Barbie dolls, American Girl dolls, Fisher-Price and Hot Wheels toys. The company has been struggling with losses and weak sales, forcing it to suspend its dividend and outline plans to slash costs and scale back new product launches. It hired a new chief executive, Margo Georgiadis, from Google earlier in the year after a previous turnaround effort stalled.

Representatives for both companies declined to comment.

Shares of Mattel have fallen

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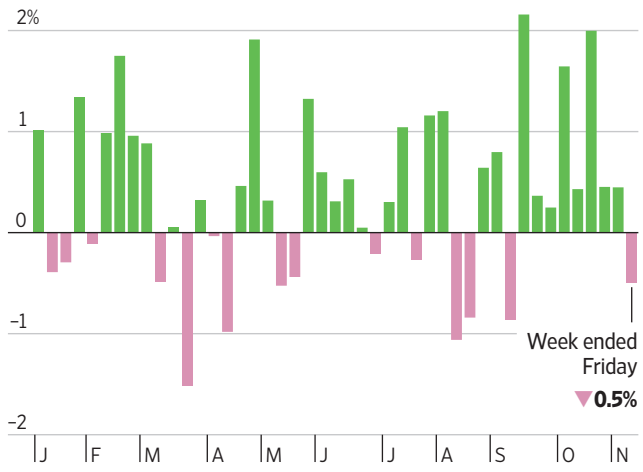
Tax Concerns Weigh on Dow

Stocks posted a weekly loss for the first time since September as investors questioned the prospects for a U.S. tax overhaul. **B12**

Dow Jones Industrial Average weekly performance



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Flynn Probed Over Alleged Plot to Kidnap Turkish Cleric

By James V. Grimaldi, Shane Harris and Aruna Viswanatha

WASHINGTON—Special Counsel Robert Mueller is investigating former White House national security adviser Mike Flynn's alleged role in a plan to forcibly remove a Muslim cleric living in the U.S. and deliver him to Turkey in return for millions of dollars, according to people familiar with the investigation.

Under the alleged proposal, Mr. Flynn and his son, Michael Flynn Jr., were to be paid as much as $15 million for delivering Fethullah Gulen to the Turkish government, according to people with knowledge of discussions Mr. Flynn had with Turkish representatives. President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, who has pressed the U.S. to extradite him, views the cleric as a political enemy.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents have asked at least four individuals about a meeting in mid-December at the '21' Club in New York City, where Mr. Flynn and representatives of the Turkish government discussed removing Mr. Gulen, according to people with knowledge of the FBI's inquiries. The discussions allegedly involved the possibility of transporting Mr. Gulen on a private jet to the Turkish prison island of Imrali, according to one of the people who has spoken to the FBI.

The Wall Street Journal previously reported on efforts by Turkish officials to get Mr. Gulen to Turkey without going through the U.S. extradition legal process, an effort that included a meeting with Mr. Flynn in September.

The investigation is being handled by Mr. Mueller as part of his probe of Trump campaign

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Harassment Scandals Prompt Rapid Workplace Changes

Companies bear down on sexual misconduct in a far-reaching shift

By Carol Hymowitz, Lukas I. Alpert and Suzanne Vranica

Top brass at advertising giant Interpublic Group of Cos. told its 20,000 U.S. employees last week they had until year's end to complete sexual-harassment training. The session quizzes employees on what to do when a co-worker discusses weekend sexual exploits at work or comes on to a colleague's girlfriend after hours.

IPG doesn't have a harassment scandal. Chief Executive Michael Roth told his board he fast-tracked announcing the mandatory training, a board member says, in response to high-profile harassment allegations in Hollywood and media. "Women are crucial to our business and our workforce," says Mr. Roth. "We need our environment to be safe for all."

The wave of misconduct allegations has abruptly shifted the climate in American workplaces, prompting companies to scrutinize how employees work with one another, in one of the most rapid changes in corporate behavior in generations.

Vox Media says it tapped an outside firm to examine its procedures following the dismissal of an executive for inappropriate behavior. Uber Technologies Inc. says it added staff to examine worker concerns including reports of inappropriate conduct, following female employees' allegations of harassment and mistreatment.

At a growing number of companies that haven't had public allegations of sexual harassment, including Dell Inc., Rockwell Automation

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If the Robot Apocalypse Comes, Try Closing the Door

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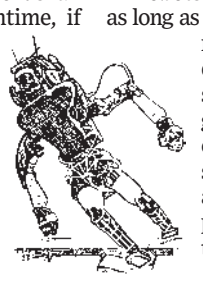
Math comes easily but stairs, balls, doorknobs still confound them

By Daniela Hernandez

Robots may enslave us all someday. In the meantime, if one of them goes berserk, here's a useful tactic: Shut the door behind you.

One after another, robots in a government-sponsored contest were stumped by an unlocked door that blocked their path at an outdoor obstacle course. One bipedal machine managed to wrap a claw around the door handle and open it but was flummoxed by a breeze that kept blowing the door shut.



A robot misstep

Robots excel at many tasks, as long as they don't involve too much hand-eye coordination or common sense. Like some gifted children, they can perform impressive feats of mental arithmetic but are profoundly klutzy on the playground.

The machines stumble over tasks requiring even toddler-level balance, like kicking a ball, getting out of a car or

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